



Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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AUGUST 8, 2005

Little Relief from Hot Weather

Isolated rains provided some relief from hot weather though temperatures were still higher than normal. **Corn** around the state progressed nicely, with 70 percent in the dough stage; above the five year average of 52 percent. There were **6.0 days suitable for field work**.

Fruits were in mostly good condition. **Apples** were rated 1 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 84 percent good, and 5 percent excellent.

Pastures were in generally good condition with 1 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 65 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** were 13 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 30 percent excellent.

DELAWARE’S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 7, 2005 (PERCENT)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2000-2004
Harvesting Progress:				
Apples	9	8	10	13
Cantaloups	47	45	49	40
Cucumbers	66	65	60	49
Lima Beans	27	25	45	13
Peaches	47	35	82	56
Potatoes	51	50	38	39
Snap Beans	67	45	87	65
Sweet Corn	53	45	53	49
Tomatoes	37	36	40	32
Watermelons	50	27	62	39
Crop Progress:				
Soybeans Blooming	55	48	70	51
Soybeans Setting Pods	22	20	24	22
Hay Harvested:				
Alfalfa Hay 3 rd Cutting	57	55	64	51
Other Hay 3 rd Cuttting	20	15	35	38

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 7, 2005 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture	3	27	70	-
Topsoil (2004)	5	18	62	15
Five Year Average	15	19	51	15
Subsoil Moisture	-	7	93	-
Subsoil (2004)	23	16	53	8
Five Year Average	18	17	53	12

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	Precipitation			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.60	30.30	5.73	95	68	80	4
Easton	0.34	28.27	1.43	95	68	80	4
Frederick	0.00	26.31	2.31	98	65	80	8
Frostburg	0.00	24.66	-5.16	92	59	74	7
Hagerstown	0.00	18.15	-5.36	95	66	80	5
Mechanicsville	0.18	25.18	-2.38	95	66	79	3
Patuxent River	0.39	24.83	-0.32	95	70	82	6
Ocean City	0.20	30.19	3.01	95	64	79	4
Salisbury	0.09	32.73	5.48	93	62	78	2
Sharpsburg	0.20	22.25	-1.75	96	63	78	6
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.01	26.88	3.82	97	71	83	4
Delaware							
Dover	0.56	30.40	3.89	93	70	80	3
Georgetown	0.01	28.22	2.03	94	68	81	6
Wilmington	0.00	24.29	-0.91	95	69	81	6

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.